

July 2, 2012

The regular meeting of the Sharon Town Board met on the above date in the Municipal Boardroom at 129 Main Street. The meeting was called to order at 6:30 PM followed by the salute to the flag.

Present were: Sandra Manko-Supervisor
Brian Young, David Cross, Joseph Falsarella, Carl Ullman-Councilmen
William Barbic-Highway Superintendent
Carl Walther-Schopeg
Deborah Cross

There was one correction to the minutes of the June 6, 2012 meeting. Brian Young recused himself in the vote on the air conditioning for the courthouse. Motion made by Joseph Falsarella, seconded by Carl Ullman and carried to approve the minutes as corrected.

Supervisor's Report: Attended the ribbon cutting at the Schoharie County Fire Training Center. Chief Greg Baxter and several other Sharon firemen were also there to represent Sharon.

Schedule of the summer concert series was received as well as an invitation to the Town Board to Meet the Artist Night on July 18 at the New residence on Union St.

There was an article in the Daily Star about Otsego County trying to sever ties from MOSA and create its own facility to oversee trash disposal in Otsego County. Otsego County Representative Keith McCarthy from Springfield resigned from the MOSA Board and said disposal in Otsego County could be handled more efficiently in Otsego County if the two solid-waste transfer stations were closed and a new one opened in a more centralized location. There are currently two Otsego County transfer stations operated by MOSA. However, the most interesting part about the article was the comment section on the Daily Star's web page. People in Otsego County are not happy with the path their representatives have chosen. Supervisor attended 3 MOSA meetings within the last month. On June 28, the MOSA Board of Directors approved a Resolution which states that MOSA will agree to pay for an asset appraisal with stipulations: that Otsego County adopt a resolution determining the effective date of its withdrawal; that if the designated withdrawal date is more than 6 months after the date of the appraisal, the cost of any necessary updates shall be paid by Otsego County; and in the event no such resolution from Otsego County has been adopted within 60 days of this resolution, MOSA's resolution is null and void. So for now the responsibility for moving this requested project ahead lies with Otsego County.

The current issue of Reality Check newsletter was dedicated to the graduating seniors from Cobleskill-Richmondville & Sharon Springs schools for their hard work & dedication to the Reality Check Program over the last 6 years. Reality Check started in 2001 and is made up of teens across NYS who want to tell the tobacco industry they can no longer target teens and young adults without any resistance. Our local senior, Alexis Jackson's photo was included with her response about how much she has learned about the tobacco industry and how they target teens.

The Federal Primary Election was held June 26th. The winner of the Democratic race was Schreiber who will run against Chris Gibson in November. The winner of the Republican race was Wendy Long who will run against Gillibrand in November. In the Town of Sharon, 38 people voted-23 Republicans and 15 Democrats. That's a 5% turnout for both Republicans & Democrats.

Assessor's Report: The final rolls for 2012 have been printed and delivered.

The County Computer system was down the weekend of June 15-18 to switch servers to accommodate all the offices that are scattered throughout the County. This makes access easier and faster.

Work continues on the offices-windows have been changed, emergency door has been moved from the back of the building to the side. Able to work without getting in contractor's way.

This is an exceptional year for sub-divisions. Parcels are selling for quite a bit of money. A few farms have been sold and sub-divided.

New updated STAR applications are now available. They will be mailed to all who asked for them.

This is only for new applicants or property owners who have reached 65 years of age and need to apply for Enhanced STAR.

CEO Report: Contacted Attorney Mike West regarding Mallery property in Leesville. Mr. West stated that he had discussed the matter with Mr. Mallery and the tenant has started moving some things off the property (things of value). CEO provided Mr. West with the name and phone number of the tenant and Mr. West plans to contact him and discuss the matter. Mr. Mallery has no plans to pay the taxes and might turn the property over to someone if they would clean it up and pay the taxes.

Left a STOP WORK order at the Bissonette residence on Route 20. No building permit was obtained for construction of a large roof section over dwelling. They later contacted the CEO and will comply with requirements.

Received anonymous written complaint regarding work at 159 Buel Rd. There is no building permit. CEO left card and asked owner to contact him.

Carried out partial framing inspection at Glowicki residence on Route 20.

Carried out rough plumbing & insulation inspection at Moentmann project, Stagecoach Rd.

Supervisor asked CEO to contact Max Phillips about property at corner of Routes 20 and 145.

Dissatisfied regarding Zoning regulations with property. Talked to Mr. Phillips with options for the property's use in harmony with Sharon Land Use Code. CEO has also talked to Real Estate personnel who have the property listed about zoning information. CEO invited Mr. Phillips to contact him if in the future he has any questions.

Issued a STOP WORK order at 247-249 Hanson Crossing Rd. New double wide home has been moved in with no permits. Owner contacted CEO who said he had been in touch with CEO Gene DiMarco. Mr. Weis said Mr. DiMarco has no jurisdiction over the project. Owner provided map with boundary line between two properties and is working on getting prints which verify integrity of existing foundation. List of items given before building permits can be issued.

Carried out rough framing inspection at Bertocchi project.

Carried out site inspection at Willoughby residence. Plans are to rebuild larger garage than one destroyed in fire.

Issued building permit to owner at 247 Hanson Crossing Rd.

Joseph French met with CEO about K9 training facility on Slate Hill Rd. Request was denied at recommendation of Schoharie County Planning for special use permit for kennel & training facility. Would like to resubmit without kennel portion. CEO will talk to Shane Nickel from Schoharie County Planning. Talked to Ray Parsons from JPB who said concern came since Mr. French is going to keep dogs at property for training.

Concern about fence installed at property in Leesville. CEO contacted Highway Superintendent who will take measurements to determine if it is installed on State right-of-way. NYS DOT will look into matter and get back to CEO.

Met with owner of 249 Hanson Crossing Rd. Building permit & Zoning permit was released. Septic system was replaced with new 1000 gallon concrete septic tank.

Owner of property at 159 Buel Rd contacted CEO. No building permit was required for work done so far but any further work would require a permit.

Attended in service training classes in Schoharie and Cobleskill dealing with Energy Code 7.

Met with Contractor William Ryan who set up pellet stove for High Hill Farm in Gilberts Corners. The stove has been completely installed and now a building permit is requested. Installed according to Manufacturer specs. Building permit in process of being issued.

Issued a STOP WORK order at 903 Hwy Rt 20. New garage being constructed. CEO asked owner to contact him.

Received fax from Attorney Marvin Parshall Jr. requesting copy of C of O for 156 Sawmill Rd if one could be found or a letter stating so and any violations which may exist. Did find 2 building permits for garage and addition to dwelling. Copies sent to Mr. Parshall.

Carried out monolithic slab inspection at Masterson project for manufactured single family dwelling on Route 10.

Joint Planning Board Report: The Joint Planning Board recommends the Town Board adopt Version 1 of the updated Land Use Code.

An estimate of \$2600 was received from Nan Stolzenburg for additional zoning edits to Land Use Code which will include updating special use permits section, add in proper site plan review section, add in performance standards for the PDD, add standards for some uses that require special use permit, with uses to be identified by Town and/or JPB, reorganize to move sections from Appendix to main body of text, update all procedures so they are up-to-par with State requirements, add in edits from JPB. Work by John Lyons is eliminated from the estimate as remaining work is not environmental. Public Hearing may be held in September.

ROLL CALL OF VOTES for additional work on Land Use Code for Cost of \$2600

	AYE	NAY
Brian Young	X	
David Cross	X	
Joseph Falsarella	X	
Carl Ullman	X	
Sandra Manko	X	

There is a need for an alternate to the Joint Planning Board to replace Mary Ann Larkin and possibly someone to replace Carl Seegers who is not able to attend meetings due to his work schedule. Town will appoint on recommendation from JPB.

Highway Superintendent Report: 5 FEMA checks have been received totaling \$14888.35 but no State money has been received.

Auditor for State Insurance Fund was here to inspect Town buildings. He complimented Mr. Barbic on the condition of the highway buildings. One minor correction had to be made for the audit-to put an eye guard on the bench grinder.

A hydraulic hose blew on one of the trucks and there was oil spilled on the highway in the Village but it was all cleaned up and reported to DEC.

CORRESPONDENCE

US Bankruptcy Court re: Residential Capital LLC, et al., Debtors-referred to Mike West.

State Office of Emergency Management-FEMA check for \$2542-reflects Fed share only.

2012 contract for CDPHP-signed and returned.

Sharon Springs Citizens Council of the Arts-thank you for donation and schedule of summer concert series and invitation to Meet the Artist Night.

SUNY Cobleskill invitation to Construction Kick Off Celebration for Center for Agriculture & Natural Resources.

Schoharie County DOH-Certificate of approval for sewage system-Boehler residence on Goodrich Rd.

NYS Div. Of Homeland Security-letter stating amount of \$1966.52 only includes Federal share of FEMA reimbursement.

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Village of Sharon Springs notice of Public Hearing on July 19 to receive public comments on proposed amendments to Zoning Law.

Northeast Summer Seminar at Saratoga Springs Rec Center.

CD-1 month interest of \$323.83-total value \$238,624.54.

SUNY Cobleskill Center of Ag & Natural Resources, kickoff celebration on 9-27-12.

NYS Insurance Fund regarding renewal of workers' comp policy, also conducted a safety survey of various town premises.

Reality Check June 2012 newsletter.

Reality Check working towards a Tobacco Display Ban, making it policy that tobacco displays are "covered up", prohibiting the visible display of tobacco products.

Bond, Schoeneck & King-Case law update.

Schoharie County DOH-permit to operate swimming pool.

Schoharie County Conservation Assoc. minutes of 5/24/12 meeting.

Stewart's-application filed with ZBA-proposing a building addition of 10' X 58' 7" plus some changes to siding, signs, lighting & blacktop.

Congress Paul Tonko announcing Grants Workshop.

Assemblyman Lopez-update on FEMA projects-continue to press the State Division of Budget to get funds flowing, allowing reimbursement to municipalities, also working on requested local match for priority stream stabilization projects in Schoharie County.

OLD BUSINESS

Mr. Barbic would like to get topsoil around the courthouse while the weather is dry.

Mrs Manko will contact the contractor who is painting the exterior of the courthouse to see when he will start painting and will notify Mr. Barbic.

The Boy Scouts will build more benches for use at the pool. The pool opened on June 23.

There will be a chicken BBQ fundraiser at the pool on July 13.

Commissioner Crandall from Schoharie County DPW was in contact with the Zeises. The County will do ditching on the North side of Engleville Rd and will install a new culvert.

Max Phillips complaint-CEO has been in touch with Mr. Phillips and included the information in his report. Assessor has been in touch with Mr. Phillips. Judy Sirena feels the assessment is correct and will not be issuing a correction. She mailed the information to him how to file a grievance.

NEW BUSINESS

Motion made by Carl Ullman, seconded by Brian Young and carried to buy a \$25 ad for the Middleburgh 300th Anniversary Souvenir Book.

There was an injury during AAU basketball which is under the Rec program. It was put on the parent's insurance. Any balance will be coordinated through the Town's liability insurance.

Reality Check requested a donation. Motion made by Carl Ullman, seconded by David Cross and carried to send \$25.

Motion made by Joseph Falsarella, seconded by Brian Young and carried to accept the Town Clerk's report for June 2012.

Motion made by Brian Young, seconded by Carl Ullman and carried to accept the Supervisor's report for June 2012.

Motion made by Brian Young, seconded by Joseph Falsarella and carried to pay the General Fund bills for June 2012 audited by the Board:

AT & T Mobility	43.97
Blue Shield of NE NY	1400.88
CDPHP	751.56
Evening Star Bookkeeping	696.45
National Grid	46.08
National Grid	137.85
National Grid	24.94
Schoharie Promotional Assoc	25.00
SEFCU Ins. Agency	601.00
Time Warner Cable	109.95
Time Warner Cable	117.07
Mary Jane Bianchine	25.50
Mary Jane Bianchine	99.90
Comrie's Plumbing & Heating	243.00
Barbara Cousineau	64.69
Evelyn Falsarella	144.95
Larry Farro	945.60
Josephine King	201.50
Maggie Larkin	108.00
Sandra Manko	145.67
NYS Town Clerks Assoc	75.00
Howard Osterhoudt	47.50
RL Parsons Inc	296.00
Resource Data Services	200.00
Times Journal	11.90
True American Signs	430.00
Village of Sharon Springs	56.10
Fred's Sanitation	3166.66
Fred's Sanitation	150.00
Dawn Cousineau	190.32
National Grid	123.94

Motion made by Brian Young, seconded by Joseph Falsarella and carried to pay the Highway Fund bills for June 2012 audited by the Board:

Countryman Auto Supply	323.99
Tractor Supply Co.	89.98
Vantage Equipment	76.27
CDPHP	1700.08
Gorman Bros. Inc	23662.68
Hanson Aggregates NY	837.60
Hanson Aggregates NY	121.52
Hanson Aggregates NY	641.52
RL Parsons Inc	3022.52
Suit-Kote Corp	876.07
Superior Plus	455.07

Motion made by Brian Young, seconded by Joseph Falsarella and carried to go to Executive session at 7:20 PM for health insurance issue for retirees and 2 CEO issues.

Motion made by David Cross, seconded by Joseph Falsarella and carried to come out of Executive session at 8:02 PM.

Changes to health insurance for retirees will be made into a Resolution and discussed at the August meeting.

Motion made by Carl Ullman, seconded by Brian Young and carried to adjourn at 8:03 PM.

